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THE PURPOSE OF RECALL PETITION IS DEFENDED

The Directors of the Alameda County Water District are Bending Every Effort to Stave off the Recall Election.

BY WILL JEFFERIS.

The directors of the Alameda County Water District are making every effort to block the people from expressing their judgment at the recall election.

The petition reads as follows, and it is this that hundreds of intelligent voters have signed:

"2. That said J. C. Shinn, W. D. Patterson and E. H. Stevenson are now duly elected and acting members of the Board of Directors of said Alameda County Water District.

"3. That the grounds upon which the removal and recall of said Directors are sought are as follows:—

"a. That said persons, as such Directors, have involved the District in litigation, which has resulted in no benefit to the District, but has greatly increased taxes therein.

"b. That said persons, as such Directors, are so conducting the affairs of the said district that the said district will inevitably become involved in additional litigation, the result of which will be to further increase the burden of the taxpayers of said district among whom are your petitioners.

"c. That the efforts of said Directors are not devoted to the pursuance of a constructive policy for the district, but to the prosecution of useless and futile legislation.

"d. That the interests of the said district will be better conserved by having as Directors men who have not, in their respective private interests, negotiated with various water companies, and who are not owners of properties to which riparian rights or water rights have been sold."

There are no facts misrepresented and every voter and tax payer in this district should be glad to have the opportunity to sign this petition.

Mr. Runckel states that facts were misrepresented. If by any chance any one who signed the recall petition would be fool enough to get the impression Mr. Runckel says they got, then their names are not wanted on the petition. We are appealing to intelligent voters.

The statement that it is a crime to sign the above petition is merely being circulated to intimidate and is merely another sample of the desperate stand being taken by the directors and their secretary to keep the issue away from the people.

So far their only methods of attack are made by coercion, slander, and intimidation. They avoid the facts because they have no arguments to stand on. The reader will readily recall that so far they have said nothing on the issue.

So many statements have been made that are absolute falsehoods that it is difficult to answer them. To reply would be making a defense for something that does not exist, and yet if no defense is made the supporters of Mr. Shinn and Mr. Patterson and Mr. Stevenson may say that they can't be answered. They are that kind.

What voter with ordinary intelligence would believe that the purpose of the above recall petition was to keep Mr. George in office when he is already in office, and is not being recalled?

Who would say that Shinn, Stevenson and Patterson are being recalled

because they received a large amount of money? Who would pay them for defending their own interests?

There have been no facts misrepresented.

So far as the writer knows, the name of John G. Mattos has never been used, and the fact that Mr. Runckel has brought his name into this fight merely shows the contemptible manner in which he fights. Mr. Mattos was interviewed on the water question by Will Jefferis, and what Mr. Mattos said was confidential. Furthermore, Mr. Mattos is clever enough to see just why Mr. Runckel forced his name into this fight.

Mr. Runckel and his directors are continually accusing Will Jefferis of being the tool of the Spring Valley Water Company. Is this because those being recalled have been so extremely anxious to deal with water companies themselves?

Mr. Shinn went before the Board of Supervisors last Monday, if we can believe the Tribune, and openly slandered Will Jefferis before the Board of Supervisors, saying that he and others had misrepresented facts to get voters to sign the recall petition. Had Mr. Shinn asked Mr. Jefferis himself before he made this public accusation he would have been told the truth. Please notice that up to this time Mr. Jefferis has never directly used the name of Mr. Joseph Shinn, and would

not now, had he not slandered him before the Board of Supervisors. He has drawn the first blood and made the first personal attack.

Now as for Mr. Jos. Shinn.

We are under the impression that he himself has dickered with the Spring Valley Water Company, has negotiated with them and made attempts to negotiate with them. The Spring Valley Water Company could probably answer this.

It is a matter of wonderment that a man of the intelligence we have always thought Mr. Shinn blessed with would allow this district to become involved in litigations which would cost the taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars, and maybe into the millions. Mr. Shinn knows that either this is true or that the thousands of dollars already spent have been thrown away.

He must acknowledge that if, as his secretary says, the Calaveras dam is the Spring Valley Water Company's heart blood, they will spend hundreds of thousands and even millions of dollars to protect it. And who is going to pay this money, where is it to come from?

The taxpayers, of course. And, in the face of this fact, the directors are trying by every means to keep the issue away from the people.

Is it any wonder that they are accused of disregarding the interests of the people and working for their own benefit?

It is alleged that Mr. Stevenson and his family, or Mr. Stevenson himself, owns about \$125,000.00 worth of Union Water Company paper. Remember, we say paper, not stocks or bonds. We mean certificates redeemable when the bonds are made good.

Mr. Patterson and his family, it is alleged, or Mr. Patterson himself, dickered with the Union Water Company to sell their land, and the only reason the sale did not go through was because their price was too high. The option was given.

Mr. Patterson is also interested in the marsh lands which are benefited by the sediment from the extreme high water of the winter floods, all of which is no one's business except that he is one of the directors being recalled, and taxes are already extremely high.

The above gives an idea of a few reasons that Mr. Shinn, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Stevenson are being recalled, and gives the people the only explanation of their being dragged into litigations that will cost hundreds of thousands of dollars which they don't want to pay.

As far as the dam breaking, we are pretty sure that the reason the directors have done nothing to see whether it would or would not be because they are sure it won't, and Mr. Runckel's recent article on this point was either to avoid the issue or an awful slam on his directors, who have done nothing to see that the dam will not break!

We understand that the Spring Valley Water Company is spending a couple of thousand dollars a day constructing the dam in the face of the injunction taken out by the directors, who have already spent \$13,000.00, and the suit has not yet commenced.

When the Calaveras dam is completed there will be more water in the creek because the dam is built to hold the flood waters which now go to waste in the bay, and will eliminate the necessity of the Spring Valley Water Company from pumping so much water from the regular summer flow of the creek, which will be allowed to flow on in much larger volume than formerly.

The manner in which Mr. Runckel published the article written by Mr. Barnard was contemptible and we sincerely hope was not done with the approval of his backers.

Mr. Runckel states that the statements of expenditures of the Alameda County Water District will be published this week. We hope so. But we are afraid it won't. We think they will stall.

Will Jefferis was quite ready to answer the directors' secretary last Tuesday night, but Mr. Runckel didn't show up. He wrote a letter saying that the data would be given later. Several members were to let Mr. Jefferis know if the water question came up so he could go over to the Chamber of Commerce, but it didn't, so he didn't.

In answer to Mr. Runckel's letter, will Mr. Runckel kindly notice that Mr. Jefferis is asking a public question from public officials as to the expenditure of the people's money, while Mr. Runckel is asking private questions.

My machine is a matter of no one's (dam) business in this township, except that they should be grateful that it is being used in the interest of the taxpayers.

As far as the money spent in circulating the petitions is concerned, it is nothing, and if the fellows who are helping me out don't want to say so, I won't. Why don't Mr. Runckel ask me a decent question—why don't he say, "Jefferis, who is making up the money to you that you are losing by neglecting your business in San Francisco?" That amounts to something, and I will answer, "Not a 'dam' soul!" The money Will Jefferis is losing by making this fight is not what he is spending up here, as the subscriptions from the paper will cover that, but it is the money he is losing by neglecting his business in San Francisco that hurts. So one can imagine when some of Mr. Runckel's supporters come sneaking around his machine, saying it looks like a Spring Valley machine.

Ask my partner, A. W. Somers, of what he thinks of my being up here on this fight. Only, Mr. Runckel had better no go down unless he takes a body guard, and if he goes sneaking around my office in San Francisco he should be particularly careful not to give his name like he did before, when he was told if he wanted to know who owned my machine he should take its number and trace it down.

The directors and their secretary must be awfully scared that some one else is getting money from water companies—they may be assured that Mr. Jefferis is losing more in this fight than he can afford to.

MELBOURNE (Australia)—The entire membership of the House of Representatives of the Federal Parliament, the legislative body of the commonwealth of Australia, has pledged itself never again to purchase German goods.

Niles Chamber of Commerce Holds Regular Meeting

The Meeting Was Well Attended and a Most Interesting Session was the Result—The Question of Gas plant in Niles Looks Good.

The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was called to order by President Sneed at 8:15 with an exceptionally large number of members present. After the reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting the reports of committees was called for.

The highway committee reported progress. The committee on signs reported that Supervisor Murphy had agreed to pay for the two signs that show travelers the way to Niles Canon. This committee was thereupon discharged with the thanks of the chamber. The folder committee was then asked for a report. Mr. Thompson on behalf reported that he had made an estimate upon the cost of folders as follows: Folders consisting of 16 pages 3 1-4 x 6 to contain 12 half-tone cuts and printed upon a fine grade of glazed book paper would cost in 5000 lots as follows: For the first 5000 folders, including the cost of the cuts \$75, and about \$35,

or \$40 for each 5000 thereafter. There was considerable discussion about this proposition. Mr. Craft, among other things said that it was, he thought, the proper thing to get up a dummy or prospectus of this to show the members of the Chamber of Commerce about what the folder would look like. Finally it was agreed that such would be the plan, and the committee was instructed to have the dummy ready for the next meeting of the Chamber.

The President appointed Messrs. Jones and Overacker as a committee to look into the advisability of continuing a member of the Tourists Association of Central California.

The Secretary then read the communications; One from the secretary of the Alameda County Water District in answer to a request for a statement of expenditures by that body, said that the matter would be placed before the Board of Directors at its next meeting. The

resignation of Mr. Wm. T. Davis, formerly editor of the Washington Press was read and accepted.

C. R. Evans and A. O. Lindebergh were then elected to membership in the Chamber.

At this time the President introduced Mr. Fish, a representative of the union Gas Co., who spoke briefly about this company its aims and purposes. The proposition that Mr. Fish made was briefly this: That the Union Gas Co. would install a plant in Niles if the citizens and property owners would form a co-operative company. He submitted the following estimates:

Cost of laying the gas mains and piping the gas into the houses from \$35 to \$40 per 50-foot lot.. This is to be paid by the property owners. The company will then lease a plant to these property owners for a royalty of 10c per 1000 cubic feet of gas used, and maintain and care for the plant.

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The "Hardening" Process.

The life-saving station was very still. Nos. 3 and 5 had gone out on the eight-o'clock patrol. The seventh man was taking his twenty-four hours off at his home on the shore. The keeper was working over his report in the office. The other members of the crew were upstairs asleep, and Abe and Samuel were bearing each other company in the messroom.

Abe lay asleep on the carpet-covered sofa which had been dragged out of the captain's room for him, so that the old man need not spend the night in the cold sleeping-loft above. He was fully dressed except for his boots; for he was determined to conform to the rules of the service, and sleep with his clothes on ready for instant duty.

"Talk erbout him a-dyin'!" growled Samuel to himself, lounging wearily in a chair beside the stove. "He's jest startin' his life. He's a reg'lar hoss. I didn't think he had it in him."

Samuel's tone was resentful. He was a little jealous of the distinction which had been made between him and Abe; and drawing closer to the fire, he shivered in growing distaste for the cot assigned to him with the crew upstairs, where the white frost lay on the window ledges.

What uncomfortable chairs they had in this station! Samuel listened to the moaning of the breakers, to the wind rattling at the casements—and wondered if Blossy had missed him. About this time she must be sitting in her chintz-covered rocker, combing out the ringlets of her golden-white hair in the cheery firelight.

Now, that would be a sight worth seeing! Abe opened his mouth and began to snore. What disgusting, hideous creatures men were, reflected Samuel. Six months' living with an

unusually high standard. He raised his standards.

Why should he spend a week of his ever-shortening life with such inferior beings, just for Abraham's sake—for Abraham's sake, and to bear out a theory of his own, which he had already concluded a mistake?

Abe gave a snort, opened his eyes, and muttered sleepily: "This is what I call a A No. 1 spree. Naow, termor—er—er—" But mumbling incoherently he relapsed into slumber, puffing his lips out into a whistling sound.

Samuel reached for a newspaper on the table, folded it into a missile, and started to fling it into the innocent face of the sleeper. But fortunately for Abraham, it was Captain Darby's custom to count ten whenever seized by an exasperated impulse, and at the ninth number he regretfully dropped the paper.

Then he began to count in another way. Using the forefinger of his right hand as a marker, he counted under his breath, "one" on his left thumb, then after a frowning interval, "two" on his left forefinger, "three" on the middle digit, and so on, giving time for thought to each number, until he had exhausted the fingers of his left hand and was ready to start on the right.

Count, count, went on Samuel, until thrice five was passed, and he began to be confused.

Once more Abe awoke, and inquired if the other were trying to reckon the number of new wigwags and signals which the service had acquired since they had worked for the government; but on being sharply told to "Shet up!" went to sleep again.

What the projector of the trip was really trying to recall was how many times that day he had regretted saving Abe from the devastating clutches of the old ladies.

"Him need hardenin'?" muttered Samuel blackly. "Why, he's harder now 'n nails an' hardtack!"

Again he ran over on his fingers the list of high crimes and misdemeanors of which Abe had been guilty.

First—thumb, left hand—Abe had insisted on extending their scooter sail until he, Samuel, had felt his toes freezing in his boots.

Second—forefinger, left hand—on being welcomed by the entire force at Bleak Hill and asked how long they expected to stay, Abe had blurted out, "A hull week," explaining that Samuel's rule requiring at least seven days of exile from his wife every six months barred them from returning in less time.

The keeper was a widower, all the other men were bachelors. How could they be expected to understand? They burst into a guffaw of laughter, and Abe, not even conscious that he had betrayed a sacred confidence, sputtered and laughed with the rest.

Samuel had half a mind to return tomorrow, "jest to spite 'em." Let's see, how many days of this plagued week were left? Six. Six whole

twenty-four hours away from Blossy and his snug, warm, comfortable nest.

She wasn't used to keepin' house by herself, neither. Would she remember to wind the clock on Thursday, and feed the canary, and water the abutition and begonias reg'lar?

Grimly Samuel took up offense No. 3. Abraham had further told the men that he had been brought over here for a hardening process; but he was willing to bet that if Samuel could keep up with him, he could keep up with Samuel.

Then followed offense on offense. Was Samuel to be outdone on his own one-time field of action by an old ladies' darling? No!

When Abe sat for a half-hour in the lookout, up in the freezing, cold cupola, and did duty "jest to be smart," Samuel sat there on top of his own feet, too.

When Abe helped drag out the apparatus cart over the heavy sands for the drill, Samuel helped, too. And how tugging at that rope brought back his lumbago!

When Abe rode in the breeches-buoy, Samuel insisted on playing the sole survivor of a shipwreck, too, and went climbing stiffly and lumberingly up the practise mast.

Abraham refused to take a nap after dinner; so did Samuel. Abe went down to the outdoor carpenter shop in the grove and planed a board just for the love of exertion. Samuel planed two boards and drove a nail.

"We've got two schoolboys with us," said the keeper and the crew.

"Ef I'd a-knowned that yew had more lives 'n my Maltese cat," Samuel was muttering over Abe by this time, "I—"

Count, count went Captain Darby's fingers. He heard the keeper rattling papers in the office just across the threshold, heard him say he was about to turn in, and guessed Samuel had better do likewise; but Samuel kept on counting.

Count, count, went the arraigning fingers. Gradually he grew drowsy, but still he went over and over poor Abe's offenses, counting on until of a sudden he realized that he was no longer numbering the sins of his companion; he was measuring in minutes the time he must spend away from Blossy and Twin Coves, and the begonias and the canary and the cat.

What would Blossy say if she could feel the temperature of the room in which he was supposed to sleep? What would Blossy say if she knew how his back ached? Whatever would Blossy do to Abe Rose if she could suspect how he had tucked out her "old man"?

"He's a reg'lar hoss," brooded Samuel. "Oh, my feet!" grabbing at his right boot. "I'll bet yer all I got it's them air chilblains. That's what," he added, unconsciously speaking aloud.

Abe's lids slowly lifted. He rubbed

his eyes and yawned. He turned his head on his hard, blue gingham-covered pillow, and stared sleepily at the other.

"Yew been noddin', Sam'l? Ain't gittin' sleepy a'ready, are yer?" He glanced at the clock. "Why, it's only half-past nine. Say, what's the matter with me an' yew goin' west ter meet No. 5? Leetle breath o' fresh air'll make us sleep splendid."

He started up from the couch, but dropped back, too heavy with weariness to carry off his bravado. Samuel, however, not noticing the discrepancy between speech and action, was already at the door leading upstairs.

"Yew don't drag me out o' this station t'night, Abe Rose. Yew're a reg'lar hoss; that's what yew be. A reg'lar hoss! A reg'lar—a reg'lar—"

He flung open the door and went trudging as fast as his smarting feet could carry him up the steep and narrow steps, wherein the passing of other feet for many years had worn little hollows on either side.

Abraham limped from the couch to the door himself, and called after him: "Sam'l, don't yew want tew sleep by the fire? Yew seem a leetle softer than I be. Let me come upstairs."

There was no answer beyond the vicious slamming of Samuel's boots upon the floor above.

Abe raised his voice again, and now came in answer a roar of wrath from the cot next to Samuel's.

"Go to bed!" shouted No. 6, a burly, red-headed Irishman. "Go to bed wid yew! Th' young folks do be nadin' a little schlape!"

CHAPTER XVI.

"A Reg'lar Hoss."

Abe flung himself back on his hard couch, drew the thick, gray blanket over him, and straightway fell into a deep, childlike slumber from which he was aroused by the rough but hearty inquiry:

"Say, Cap, like to have some oyster stew and a cup of coffee?"

Abe sat up, rubbing his eyes, wondering since when they had begun to serve oyster stew for breakfast on the beach; then he realized that he had not overslept, and that it was not morning.

The clock was striking twelve, the midnight patrol was just going out, and the returning "runners" were bidding him partake of the food they had just prepared to cheer them after their cold tramp along the surf.

The old man whiffed the smell of the coffee, tempted, yet withheld by the thought of Angy's horror, and the horror of the twenty-nine sisters.

"Cap'n Abe"—Clarence Havens, No. 5, with a big iron spoon in his hand and a blue gingham apron tied around his bronzed neck, put him on his mettle, however—"Cap'n Abe, I tell yew, we wouldn't have waked no other fellow of your age out of a sound sleep. Cap'n Darby, he could snooze till doomsday; but we knowed you

wouldn't want to miss no fun a-goin'."

"Cap'n Sam'l does show his years," Abe admitted. "Much obliged fer yew a-wakin' me up, boys," as he drew on his boots. "I was dreamin' I was hungry. Law, I wish I had a dollar apiece for all the eyester stew I've et on this here table 'twixt sunset an' sunrise."

Under the stimulus of the unaccustomed repast Abe expanded and began to tell yarns of the old days on the beach—the good old days. His cheeks grew red, his eyes sparkled. He smoked and leaned back from the table, and ate and drank, smoked and ate again.

"A week amongst yew boys," he asserted gaily, "is a-goin' tew be the makin' of me. Haow Sam'l kin waste so much time in sleep I can't understand."

"I don't think he is asleep," said No. 3. "When I was upstairs jest now fer my slippers, I heard him kind o' sniffin' later his piller."

The laugh which followed brought the keeper out of his office in his carpet slippers, a patchwork quilt over his shoulders. His quick eyes took in the scene—the lamp sputtering above the table, the empty dishes, the two members of the crew sleepily jocular, with their blue flannel elbows spread over the board, the old man's rumpled bed, and his brilliant cheeks and bright eyes.

"Boys, you shouldn't have woke up Cap'n Rose," he said reprovingly. "I'm afraid, sir," turning to Abraham, "that you find our manners pretty rough after your life among the old ladies."

Abe dropped his eyes in confusion. Was he never to be rid of those apron strings?

"Well, there's worse things than good women," proceeded the captain. "I wish we had a few over here." He sighed with the quiet, dull manner of the men who have lived long on the beach. "Since they made the rule that the men must eat and sleep in the station it's been pretty lonely. That's why there's so many young fellows in the service nowadays; married men with families won't take the job."

"Them empty cottages out thar," admitted Abe, pointing to the window, "does look kind o' lonesome a-goin' ter rack an' ruin. Why, the winter I was over here every man had his wife an' young 'uns on the beach, 'cept me an' Sam'l."

Again the keeper sighed, and drew his coverlid closer. "Now, it's just men, men, nothing but men. Not a petticoat in five miles, and I tell you, sometimes we get mad looking at one another, don't we, boys?"

The two young men had sobered, and their faces also had taken on that look engendered by a life of dull routine among sand hills at the edge of a lonely sea, with seldom

of a woman's voice in their ears, the prattle of little children.

"For two months last winter nobody came near us," said Havens, "and we couldn't get off ourselves, either, half the time. The bay broke up into porridge after that big storm around New Year's; yew dasn't risk a scooter on it or a catboat. Feels to me," he added, as he rose to his feet, "as if it was blowin' up a genuine old nor-easter again."

The other man helped him clear the table. "I'm goin' to get married in June," he said suddenly, "and give up this here blamed service."

"A wife," pronounced Abe, carrying his own dishes into the kitchen, "is dretful handy, onct yew git used to her."

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Personalities in Court.

Counsel used to insult one another pretty freely in court. Mr. J. A. Foote, K. C., who was called to the bar in 1875, writes in "Pie Powder":

"It is not the custom for leading advocates of the present day to quarrel, except occasionally with the judge or during the luncheon interval; but it has not always been so, and things have been said in public, even by men of acknowledged position, which appear almost incredible when written down."

"I remember, for example, a Board of Trade inquiry, where the leader on one side interrupted his opponent by declaring that his nerves would not allow him to remain in court unless his learned friend moderated his strident voice. The strident one replied that he would endeavor to do so if his friend would turn away his ugly mug. Both criticisms were perfectly just."

It is sometimes a question whether or not a child should be assisted in the preparation of his lessons for the next day. Good pedagogy declares that the child develops most quickly who is stimulated by a problem that challenges his ability, one that is not too easy, one that is not too hard. If it is the former, he is not interested; whereas, if it is the latter, he is discouraged. It may be taken, as a general rule, that it is better not to help a child until he has gotten discouraged and then rather to help him to help himself, to guide him and let him go the rest of the way himself.

A backward child, of course, needs more assistance than a bright child, but with him more care is required in developing self-reliance; his tendency is to become more dependent and his need of initiative is greater.

Getting Him the Other Way.

Her Father—You have been paying attentions to my daughter. You haven't proposed yet?

His Lordship—Not yet, sir.

Her Father—Now let us come right down to business. What will you take not to propose?

Lofty Stelvio Pass

THE entrance of Italy into the European war and the gains she has made thus far on some of the Alpine roads connecting her with the Austrian Tyrol brings into prominent interest one of the highest and most popular of all the Alpine post roads—the Stelvio.

Although this road may not possess the strategic value of some of the other highways of the Alps of which the Italians early in the fighting secured control, to hold and fortify this, one of the best built roads and the highest between Austria and Italy, has long been Italy's ambition, for the reason that it would give her a dominating power over a most convenient route to Landeck and Innsbruck, as well as a clutch on the upper reaches of the valley of the Adige, west of Meran.

Her engineers foresaw that the almost perfect construction of the Stelvio, with its easy grades and excellent roadbed, would enable Italy, once the master of this highway, to rush great quantities of troops and mountain artillery into the extreme western part of the Tyrol, where the natural possibilities for intrenchment are such that it might be hard for the Austrian troops to dislodge her.

The military experts of Austria were not behind Italy in placing a high value on the road and it has long been Austria's determination to hold it at all hazards.

The Stelvio road—called by the Germans the "Stilserjochstrasse"—is familiar to many American tourists who have motored over it in traveling from Botzen and Meran, in the Austrian Tyrol, or from the Bavarian Tyrol, via Innsbruck and Landeck, to the Italian lakes, as it presents a very accessible and picturesque route from either of those tourist centers to Lake Garda or Lake Como.

"Highest Street in Europe."

The road ascends from the Austrian side of the great chain of mountains dividing that country from Italy, through the beautiful valley of Trafoi and then by an amazing series of zig-

zags cuts in it, pointing to the three countries, has been erected a short distance above the hotel. This spot, known to the Germans as the "Drei sprachenspitze"—the Point of Three Tongues—is a favorite pilgrimage for all tourists, some of whom try to straddle this stone slab that they may boast of having stood in three countries at one time.

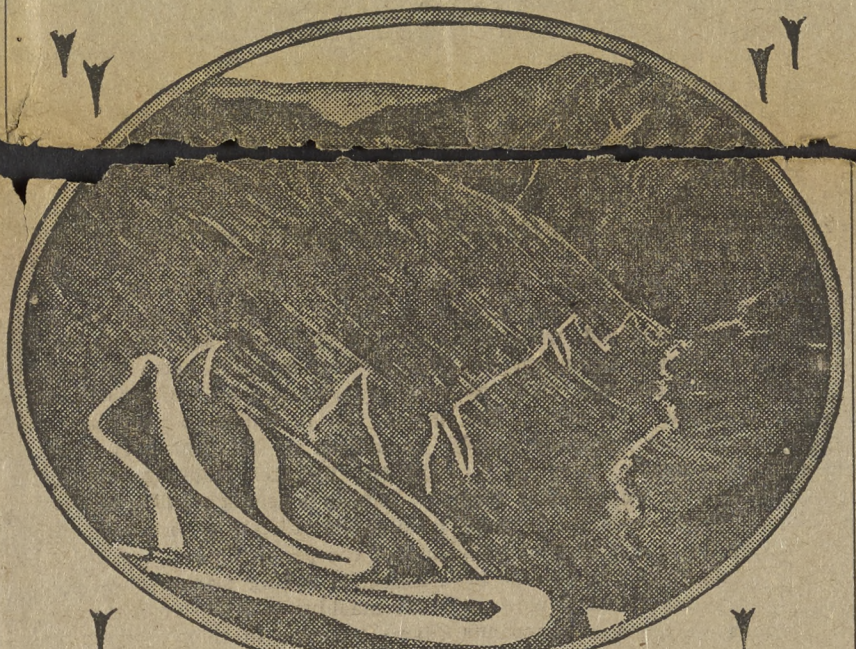
At a point just below the top of the Stelvio a severe looking stone building is found. This is the hospice of Santa Maria, or Quarta Contoniera—the fourth refuge station. "Refuge" or relief stations of this type are found scattered along all of these high roads of the Alps at convenient distances, usually about four or five miles apart. They are occupied by caretakers whose business it is to give relief and assistance to travelers caught in the severe storms of the early spring and winter months.

Adjoining this refuge station to the west is the Italian customhouse, and a short distance beyond this building the road becomes a Y, the left branch turning abruptly and leading down to Bormio in Italy, while the right branch, turning to the north, crosses the crest of the mountains by the Umbrail Pass and following soft rolling hills of the valley of Muranza carries the traveler by the new road, the Wormser Pass, do n to the Munster-Thal, in Switzerland.

Zigzag Road on Austrian Side.

Standing at the top of the pass and looking back toward the Austrian side one sees the curious zigzags or loops in the road, twisting down the sloping side of the valley to the left as if some giant painter had taken an immense whitewash brush and drawn an irregular streak down the side of the mountain. This is the most difficult part of the pass. Mount Ortler, the dominating peak of the mountain range surrounding the Stelvio, rises in majestic dignity at the right side of the road to a height of almost 13,000 feet.

The Stelvio is rarely open for traffic much before the middle of June in any year, as the snow clings affec-



LOOKING DOWN THE STELVIO

zag turns or loops in the road—a really marvelous example of roadbuilding and engineering—brings the traveler up over four thousand feet in eight miles and a half, at a very easy and comfortable grade. At the top, or the "pass" itself—where these roads cross the crest of the mountain this point is called the "pass"—it reaches the remarkable altitude of 9,055 feet above the sea, making it the highest carriage road on the continent, or, as a German tourist has aptly put it, "the highest street in Europe!"

Of all the post roads of the Alps the Stelvio has always been the most popular among tourists during the summer months. Almost any noon-day from the middle of June until the first of September one would find clustered around a barnlike hotel at the top of the pass called the "Hotel Ferdinandshoehe" a vast collection of every conceivable kind of vehicle from the most expensive motor car to the lumbering old but picturesque mountain diligence, as well as innumerable "einspanner" and "dreispanner," the comfortable little one and two horse victorias so much in evidence on every Alpine road. Clustered in the none too spacious dining hall of this hotel one would find an equally odd assortment of tourists from every part of the globe, chattering in every known language, making a veritable babel of tongues, with here and there an occasional titled personage accompanied by a retinue of servants, adding a little luster to the gathering, and a sprinkling of Austrian and Italian officers in gorgeous uniforms giving the necessary bit of color.

Where Three Countries Touch.

The top of the pass is a bleak and gloomy place at best, no vegetation at all, nothing but a desolate mass of rock, with snow fields and glaciers stretching down from the mountain peaks on all sides and intensely cold, even in the middle of July and August, after sundown. The pass itself marks almost the exact meeting place of the boundary lines of Austria, Italy and Switzerland. A crude boundary post surmounted by a stone slab with ar-

tionately to all of these post roads of the Alps until well into the late spring. Particularly is this the case with the Stelvio. A late or severe winter keeps the upper reaches of this road blocked to all carriage traffic up to the end of June. Perhaps the Italians had this in mind when they held back their declaration of war against Austria until the latter part of May. Although the Alpine regiments of the Italian army are noted for their prowess and cleverness in "snow work," this kind of surface does not invite the easy transit of heavy artillery.

The Lantern in the East.

Everybody knows that the Chinese and Japanese are the great lantern makers. In fact, a lantern seems to be an essential adjunct to a Chinaman, and there is a story told of a night attack on a Chinese fort by the English, when every Chinaman took to his heels and mounted the hill behind with all speed. But every man carried his lighted lantern slung over his shoulder, and so formed the best of target for the enemy.

Many nations of the East, besides those more closely connected with Scriptural history, and notably the Chinese and Japanese, carry a lantern at the end of a stick.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The Only Way.

Most of us think of the smart retort about ten minutes too late. The spare, apple-faced gentleman in the tube that was bearing its clerkly freight to the city was not one of these. When the train pulled up with a jerk and a human avalanche fell into the compartment he rose with some difficulty and offered his seat to a lady. "Oh, thank you so much," she gushed. "So good of you to give me your seat, but I don't like you to stand up." The gentleman replied with a suspicion of heightened color on his apple-cheek, "Madam, I should like to oblige you in both respects, but what would people say if you were to sit on my lap!"—London Chronicle.

RADICAL CHANGES IN CHINA

Republican Government Doing Many Things, Among Others Breaking Through Historic Wall.

The great wall which has surrounded the city of Peking for many centuries is undergoing an unusual change. Peking is laid out in a symmetrical form, with nine gates leading through the great wall. Each side has two gates except the front, where an extra central gate—the Chien-men—leads directly into the forbidden city, the central inclosure of Peking. This Chien-men, or front gate, is the one most seriously crowded with traffic; and yet tradition up to the present day has never permitted it to be enlarged nor any other gate to be broken near it in order to relieve the congestion of rickshaws, carts, donkeys, motor cars, camels and heavily-laden human beasts of burden—coolies.

The present republican government is by no means so superstitious as the old exclusive Manchu regime, but Yuan Shi-kai must take into consideration the superstitions of the people. The gate through which former emperors passed in and out of Peking was opened immediately after the republic was established; but only a few days after it had been thrown open to the public a mutiny of the troops took place in Peking, and much of the town was looted. The cause of the calamity was laid to the credit of the newly opened gate, whereupon it was immediately closed and has never since been swung upon its hinges.

Since the republic has been well established a number of changes in the minor inner walls have taken place, notably two new gates having been broken in one of these inner walls; and as no calamity has befallen the city, the government is now making bold efforts to relieve the congestion at the Chien-men by breaking two new gates through the great wall.

The wall is forty or fifty feet high and forty or fifty feet thick. The work is a difficult task because the excellent mixture of cement of former days has fastened the bricks like stone together with remarkable firmness. It is expected that the sections of another smaller wall will be found within this large wall, the smaller one probably being that which Marco Polo described in the account of his visit to the famous capital of Kublai Khan.

Aerial Dreadnaughts.

When Mr. Tennant spoke in the house of commons recently on the large aeroplanes used by Russia, he was alluding to what is known as the Sikorsky biplane, the dreadnaught of flying machines. This biplane is the largest heavier-than-air machine yet

invented, and can carry at least twice the load of any known aeroplane. The dead weight of the machine is no less than three and a half tons, and it can carry a load of over a ton.

Nearly half a ton of fuel and oil is carried, and when on a war reconnaissance could carry a quarter of a ton of explosives, consisting perhaps of half a dozen giant bombs, each weighing 10 pounds, as compared with the one or two which aeroplanes now carry, or ten or a dozen 20-pound bombs. Although compared with a Zeppelin the Sikorsky biplane only carries about a quarter the amount of explosives, and has a much shorter range, it has the very great advantage of being much cheaper, easier to build, less at the mercy of the elements, and a smaller target. It was stated in 1914 that the Russian government had ordered five of these big biplanes.—London Times.

Dog Pilots Nurse and Baby.

Wanda, the Polish nursemaid of the Mahler household of Darby, has demonstrated to the family that, while she can speak no English and doesn't know one Darby street from another, she can think herself out of any difficulty once she gets lost.

One evening Wanda was instructed to take the family's proudest possession, Minnie, a 15-pound incubator baby, out for an airing.

Wanda was so intent on looking after the baby's personal interests that she got lost.

As night fell she decided she simply must get home, so she set her mind to work on the problem. At last a yellow dog came along.

Wanda had seen the dog around the Mahler home, and she thought that if she followed him she would get back into the Mahler neighborhood.—Philadelphia North American.

Prince Napoleon.

Prince Victor Jerome Frederic Napoleon, who has obtained permission of the Italian military authorities to go to the front, is the head of the Napoleon family. Ordinarily he lives in Brussels, having been expelled from France many years ago. He is a Parisian, however, by birth, and his sympathies with the allies are further cemented by the fact that his wife is Princess Clementine, daughter of King Leopold of Belgium, and his mother is a princess of the house of Savoy. It needed but the entry of a Napoleon to make the cast complete.—Dundee Advertiser.

Common Experience.

"As you travel through this vale of tears, is your faith in humanity strengthened or weakened?" asked the inquisitive person.

"It's a queer thing," answered the man who is easily worried. "I'll meet half a dozen people who are the right sort and strictly on the square. Then I'll run across a skunk who makes me forget all about the other six."

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Come and Go.

"Do you keep any servants?"
"No, of course not."
"But I thought I saw one in your kitchen."
"Oh, we have servants on the premises a day or two at a time, but we don't keep them."—Houston Post.
Not the Only Difference.
She—A clock is different from a man.
He—In what respect?
She—When it strikes it keeps on working.—Philadelphia Record.

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A Vain Search.

Mrs. Parvenu—John, that Mrs. Kawler, who was just here, said she had been having a bad attack of ongwew. What's that?
Parvenu—Something catchin', perhaps. Why don't you look it up in the dictionary?
Mrs. P.—I did. I went through all the O's, but can't find no such word.

After the Trial.

"Now if you are acquitted," said the lawyer, "you can go on the stage."
"But suppose I should happen to be convicted?"
"Um. In that case I suppose you'll have to write a book."—Kansas City Journal.

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STEWED APPLES AND CREAM

Waiter Followed Instructions to Let-
ter and Maker of Bad Joke Had
to Settle the Bill.

The joker who makes a bad joke deserves it turned on him, as it very often is.

A man who dined at a restaurant was asked in the ordinary way by the waiter what he would have for the next course.

"You may bring me stewed apples and cream, sir."

"Yes, sir."

"Only let me have them without the cream."

"Yes, sir; most certainly, sir."

"And without the apples, please."

The waiter disappeared and soon returned with a plate on which lay a spoon and a little powdered sugar.

The customer looked surprised.

"It's your stewed apples and cream, sir, without the stewed apples, and without the cream," said the waiter. The item figured on the bill just the same, and the customer had to pay it.

DODGING TROUBLE.



Miss Bigmitt, the Stenog—Did you fire me just 'cause I misspelled a few words now an' then an' sometimes get balled up in my notes?
Mr. Littleton—By no means. You see, I have an unreasonably jealous wife, and she won't allow me to keep a pretty young stenographer in my office.

Feminine Consistency.

"What's the matter, Hawkins?"
"Matter enough! You know some time ago I assigned all my property to my wife to—er—to keep it out of the hands of people I owe, you know."
"Yes."

"Well, she's taken the money and gone off—says she won't live with me because I've swindled my creditors."

No Gardener.

"What are you fooling with there?"
"Asparagus. First, you trench it, next you get it started, then you transplant it. In a couple of years you will have a fine crop. Better plant some."
"Not for mine. I don't see why anybody should go to all that trouble when you can buy it for 13 cents a can."

Juvenile Imagination.

"Don't you know that you ought to be careful not to leave finger marks on your books," said the teacher who was trying to encourage neatness.
"Yes," replied the small boy. "Bill Jenkins told me about that. Some day the habit is liable to put the detectives on your trail."

Needed a Silencer.

"What will you have next?" asked the waiter.
"Why, I gave you the whole order," replied the lady.
"Yes, but the gentleman with you was taking his soup, and I couldn't hear you."

Doubtful.

"Arthur seems a bright, capable fellow. I think he'll get on."
"Well, he's certainly a worthy young man, but I doubt whether he has head enough to fill his father's shoes."

Unfeeling.

Judge—This is the tenth time you have come before me, Kelly.
Prisoner—I'm sorry, judge; but the cops don't seem to care how much work they make you.—Puck.

On Probation.

"Have the Bounderby's got into society yet?"
"Well, they've taken their wraps off, but there's no telling how long they'll stay."

HE WOULDN'T BE DISTURBED

While Mabel Patted and Coaxed Him
Jack Was Listless—Footsteps of
Father Aroused Him.

Mabel moved closer. "Jack, what's the matter?" she asked softly.
Jack looked at her languidly and gazed again into the fire.

"Jack!"
Jack turned listlessly.
"I think you're very rude," pouted Mabel.

Jack looked at her inquiringly.
"You haven't paid the slightest attention to me this evening," she said, drooping her shoulders dejectedly. "I hate you!"

Suddenly it occurred to Mabel that perhaps Jack was not well, and she reproached herself for her attitude toward him.

"Dear," she said contritely, running her hand through his hair, "are you ill?"

Jack leaned slightly. Mabel sighed. The front door opened, and there was a sound of heavy footsteps in the hallway. Jack was off the sofa in an instant.

"It's only father," said Mabel.
Jack barked and jumped up beside Mabel again.—Judge.

The Reason.

"Eh-yah!" confessed J. Fuller Gloom, the prominent pessimist. "I have changed entirely the plans of the house I am going to build in spite of the fact that the architect, my wife and various other sensible and well posted people agreed that it was as near perfect as it could be made and I myself was thoroughly pleased with it."

"Then why—"
"Oh, it didn't suit the neighbors!"—Judge.

It Didn't Work.

"I can't get by with anything."
"What's the matter?"
"I invited a girl to go to the theater. When it came time to buy the seats I was broke, so I told her the house was sold out for that night and promised to take her next week."
"Well?"
"Her aunt took her down on the very night we were to go and they and two other couples were the only people in the parquer."

Took the Hint.

"At 11:30 the beautiful Miss Flibber rose with stately grace and put a record on the phonograph. The strains of a famous aria filled the room.
"Ah!" exclaimed Mr. Boresuma. "Magnificent!" What place is that, may I ask?
"That," said Miss Flibber, significantly, "is Tosca's 'Good-by.'"
Shortly thereafter Mr. Boresuma was saying "Good night."

Gentle Sarcasm.

Blondine—Isn't Gerty Giddigap keeping company with young Beambrough any more?
Brunetta—No; she decided he was altogether too extravagant and she passed him up.
"Is that so?"
"Yes; one evening he wanted to take her to a moving picture show in a jitney bus."

Blighted Ambition.

"So your daughter has decided to marry the count?"
"Yes," replied Mr. Wadly, with a dejected air.
"You don't seem pleased. I'm surprised."
"You needn't be. I was hoping to get a son-in-law who would be an asset instead of liability."

Not Encouraging.

"I have called," said the hungry looking party with the unbarbered hair, "to see if there is a vacancy in your joke department."
"There will be," replied the over-worked editor, "as soon as the office boy gets time to empty the waste basket."

NEW VERSION.



"A man is as old as he feels."
"But how about a woman?"
"Oh, she is generally as old as other people feel she is."

What We All Think.

"I'm glad to know that you liked my sermon," said the minister to an enthusiastic member of his flock.
"Indeed I did. It was so true and so to the point. I wish a neighbor of mine could have heard it. I know it was intended just for him."

Its Kind.

"So the practical politicians manage to get a plank in the party platform to their own interest."
"Yes; what you might call a gang plank."

FLAGS IN HISTORY

Symbols Have Been Subject to
Many Changes.

Those of Today the Result of Slow
Growth Through Centuries—Sara-
cens Given Credit for Intro-
duction of Banner.

The Union Jack, the banner under which Englishmen, Scotchmen, Irishmen, Welshmen, Canadians, Australians, East Indians and men from other parts of the great empire on which the sun never sets are now fighting on the bloody fields of France, was designed 307 years ago, in 1606. The original flag of England, the banner of St. George, white with a red cross, was incorporated then with the banner of Scotland, which was blue with a white diagonal cross. This combination obtained the name of "Union Jack," in allusion to the union between England and Scotland, and to the name of the monarch who brought about the consolidation of the crowns. This was James I of England and VI of Scotland, the word "Jack" being a corruption of Jacobus, the Latin word for James. The original arrangement of the Union Jack continued until 1801, when following the union with Ireland, the banner of St. Patrick, white with a diagonal red cross, was amalgamated with it. The red Maltese cross of St. Andrew, so that a thin white line on either side is all that remains of the Scottish cross.

The many nationalities comprising the empire of Franz Josef fight under a common flag of red and white, the colors of the Hapsburg dynasty. There are red stripes at the top and bottom of the banner, and on the central white stripe appears the Austrian coat of arms. The German, Austrian and Russian banners, like the English, represent a slow growth through many centuries and with frequent changes. Since ancient times men have carried distinguishing emblems in battle, but it was not until the sixth century that the flag acquired its present form in Spain. Before that it was just a small square of cloth carried on a lance. The modern flag is said to have been introduced in Spain by the Saracens.

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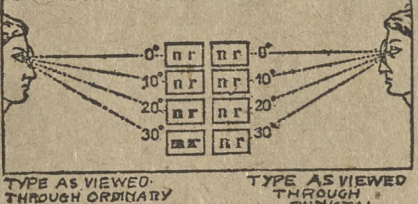
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Nothing in Them.

"William," said the good wife, looking up from her paper, "here I see an article that says a man out in Kansas is suing his wife for divorce, simply because she went through his pockets after he was asleep. Goodness knows, William, probably the poor woman never got a cent from the brute of a husband in any other way!"
"Uh, huh," replied William.
"William," came from his better half, "don't you dare sit there and 'uh-huh' me in such a manner! What would you do if you woke up and found me going through your pockets?"

"Who—me?" asked the sleepy husband, who had already turned over his pay envelope to the boss of the house.
"Why, I'd get up and help you search, of course, my dear!"—Judge.

Nonsmokers' League Is Slow.

The Nonsmokers' League of America in national convention assembled at San Francisco unanimously decided that "wives should not permit their husbands to smoke in the house" and suggested a matrimonial boycott on smokers. Every town in Kansas has its anticigarette band, girls who have taken oath never, never to have anything to do with young men, or old, who smoke. Why was Kansas, whence all good reforms come, not represented at the San Francisco convention? Old Bill White is neglecting his duty again.—New York Sun.



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"Yes. He was very effusive."

"Haven't you any idea who he is?"

"Not at all. I've seen his face somewhere, but I can't place him."

"But he acted like a long-lost brother."

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In awe I sat enraptured, by the scene of glory there,
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My soul drank in the mystic tones, unheard by mortal ears.
Those liquid bars sung by the stars, the music of the spheres.

There came from mighty Sirius a sweet Aeolian strain,
The music of the pleiades, was balm to the heart and brain.
Each blazing bright Arabic star, each throbbing orb of fire,
Beyond this universe afar, sang in that mighty choir.

Set the ether in vibration in depths of space profound,
Whilst dim and distant nebulae gave forth a fainter sound;
Until my soul with longing yearned to leave all earthly things,
To go more near the music, the hand upon the strings.

H. T. Compton,
Stockton, Calif.

Spend That Dollar at Home.

You all would like to see the town you live in grow to be a better town. You want your merchants to be able to give you as good bargains and service as do the merchants in the cities.

They do give you just as good goods and in nearly every instance the prices are just as low. As to service, we contend that the service of your-home merchants is better. Better, because of the fact

that you can see just what you are getting and if it is not satisfactory you can change it.

Many people will order from the cities by mail and pay for goods that are really inferior to those sold by your home merchant. And then you are fooled into believing that you are getting more for your money. You are not doing it. You may get a little more in the package of goods you have bought, you may get that suit of clothes for a few pennies less, but you are losing in the long-run. You are losing because the money you send away from your town will never return in any way. Suppose, for instance you want to purchase a suit of clothes. Your home merchant asks \$20 for the suit you want. You can get the suit or something like it in the city for \$18.75. You buy the suit in the city and pay your-self on the back for saving \$1.25. Have you really saved \$1.25? No you haven't. It has cost you either that much or more to go to the city to buy the suit. Or if you have ordered it by mail, it costs you the charges for shipping it to this point and after it gets here the chances are it does not fit to satisfaction.

Suppose the suit you buy in the city does fit, and is satisfactory in every way, still you have lost money because you have kept that money from circulating in your town. Everyone knows that it is always the merchants who are the heaviest contributors when there is any improvement to be made. So it follows that if you spend your money away from home you are handicapping your home-town merchant in the helping along the line of improvements.

Spend that dollar at home and you will be the one to derive the benefit in the long run. Your town will be the better and so will you.

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Have a new bottom put in your old chair. All work guaranteed. Inquire for Ah Fong at Cong Kee's Store, Niles. Work called for and Delivered.

Southern Pacific Gets Two Firsts at P. P. I. E.

The Panama-Pacific Exposition Company has announced the presentation of two "highest awards" to the Southern Pacific Company for its participation in the Fair. One is the highest award for "railway track, equipment, motive power and safety first appliances" and the other is the highest award for traffic promotion. They come in the nature of two banners, specifying why they were given and bearing the Official Panama Pacific ribbon.

The track, equipment, motive power and safety first appliances of the railroad company are on exhibit in the Transportation building, and include, among other things, the old C. P. Huntington, first Central Pacific locomotive. In striking contrast to this, one of the oldest locomotives in the United States, is one of the Company's

big Mallet engines used on the Tehachapi.

The traffic promotion exhibit is contained in the company's own building at the head of Palm Avenue near Fillmore Street entrance.

Here are rest rooms for men and women, the "Glido" with a miniature reproduction of noted scenic spots along the Southern Pacific, ticket offices and the Sunset Theatre, with motion pictures, illustrated lectures and organ recitals daily. Visitors are Company's guests, everything being free.

Grau and Werner of Irvington are in the market for wine grapes.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Dodson of Berkeley motored up and spent Sunday with the McClelland family.

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Classified Ads

FOR SALE—Ten acre improved ranch, 8 acres in alfalfa and half-acre in orchard, on Mission San Jose Road between Niles and Mission. Apply to Mrs. M. S. Lemos, R. F. D. 25A.

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50 Black Minorca hens;
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Furnished rooms for rent.—Apply to Mrs. George Moore, opposite the R. R. Station.

FOR SALE—Two work horses, one spring wagon, one set of harness. Apply at Post Office, Irvington. 4t

FOR SALE—Second hand furniture in good condition, at a reasonable price. Inquire Mrs. J. J. White, Wesley Hotel, Niles.

FOR RENT—House keeping rooms furnished, by day, week or month. Corner of H and Second street. Inquire or call L. Nesler, Niles.

MEN—Our illustrated catalogue explains how we teach the barber trade in short time, mailed free. Write. MOLER BARBER COLLEGE, 118 Kearney St., San Francisco.

There will be a big Halloween masque ball at Irvington, Oct. 3, keep the date in mind.

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GEO. E. BEEBE
 Producer of "Tennessee's Partner"



"Tennessee's Partner" At Alvarado Saturday Night.

That the production of "Tennessee's Partner" at Alvarado Saturday night will be a success is a foregone conclusion. First the historic talent of Alvaradoans is well known through out the Township to be of high order. This fact in connection with the fact that that well known director of such plays George Beebe is at the helm fortell a success that has not been equaled for many moons in this part of the country.

Mr. Beebe has been working with the company for some weeks past and he says that every member is letter perfect in his or her part and that they have the "business" of the lines down pat.

With all of these facts in view

we think we are safe in the assertion that you will certainly be entertained in a high degree if you go to see "Tennessee's Partner" given by the Alvarado Rebekahs Saturday Night.

Congregational Church Niles.
 Services Next Sunday as follows:
 September 26 1915
 10 a.m. Sunbay School Special Rally, day Exercises.
 11 a.m. Preaching Service. The return of Jesus to Nazareth.
 7 46 p. m. Talk on Amos and His Message

The members of Trinity Guild met at the home of Mrs. John Tyson Wednesday afternoon Sept. 24, entertained by Mrs. Letterman. Ten ladies being present. The next meeting will be held in the Guild Hall Mrs. Mayhew as hostess on October 6.

Another School Meeting for Thursday Evening October 7.
 The parents and friends and teachers of our school are planning another delightful evening for Thursday October 7.
 The teachers will receive.
 Dr. Burr our Niles dentist will give a talk upon the care of the teeth, also children spine disease.
 Mr. LaGrave sing and perhaps others aid in the program.
 The girls of the eighth grade to help the mothers in serving refreshments. So a pleasant evening is being planned and you are cordially invited to be present.
 Come if you are a friend of the girls and boys.

LOCAL NEWS

Centerville
 The Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society met with Mrs. Plummer on Wednesday. There was a good attendance and the members were glad to welcome Mrs. Kagie among them again.

Mrs. George Lowrie is becoming quite adept in driving her car.
 We are sorry to know of the serious illness of Mrs. M. Will.
 Dr. Adams is taking advantage of the Lane Medical Lectures this week at St. Anthony Medical School, San Francisco.

Centerville Artisan Assembly Gave Banquet.

The Centerville Artisans gave a banquet at their assembly hall last evening. The occasion was the termination of a contest between two teams of that order. Mr. Lawrence Bunting was captain of the winning team and Mr. A. L. Juhl was captain of the loser.
 Covers were laid for thirty people and a most enjoyable time was had.
 After the banquet the friends and members were entertained by song, monologue and piano selection.
 At the usual hour of meeting the Assembly was called to order and the degrees of Artisan ship conferred upon three new members

Free Show at Niles Monday Afternoon For All School Children

Will start the Black Box Series Monday, Sept. 27.
 Come and have me tell you all about it.
 The greatest serial ever seen in Niles.
 At the Bell Theater.

Centerville Contractor Will Move Business to Niles.

Mr. F. C. Angelus, the Centerville contractor and motorcycle man has purchased a lot in Niles announces that he intends to build as soon as possible and move his business over here. The location selected by Mr. Angelus is almost across the street from the Essanay Film Co.
 FOR RENT—Two stores in principle block in Niles at reasonable rent or will give a lease.
 Mrs. J. D. LYNCH.

Newark
 Mrs. E. L. Ingersoll has returned to her home in Iowa after two months visit here with relatives.
 Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ruschin and son spent several days at Larkspur this week.

The Aitchson family left last Monday for their home in Arizona after spending several months with friends in Newark and Berkeley.

Mrs. J. B. Ritter of Dunsmuir is spending the week with her mother Mrs. H. E. Fowler.

Leland Niles was a visitor in town Tuesday.

John Silvey who has been at St. Anthony's Hospital in Oakland for several weeks is expected home this week.

Niles Notes.

Mrs. Mary Wilson, of Oakland, who has been visiting her old home in Tuollome and Calaveras County, spent the week-end with Mrs. Decker, returning to Oakland Monday.

Mrs. Kate McPherson returned Tuesday after spending a week of the Canyon in San Francisco and the Exposition.

Mrs. W. Russell and Mrs. E. Russell of Santa Cruz called on Mrs. Jacobus Tuesday on their way home from the Exposition.

Mr. Mrs. C. H. Hatch have gone on a camping trip to Lake Tahoe in their new Ford.

Mrs. and Miss Moore and Mrs. Philip Moore spent Wednesday in San Francisco.

Mrs. Deal is visiting her daughter Mrs. Ellis.

The arrangements for the annual masquade ball of the N. D. are progressing, a large crowd is expected. Dont forget the date Oct. 30.

Notice to Correspondents.

Commencing with the issue of next week the Township Register will issue on Friday instead of Saturday, as heretofore. This will mean that your news items will have to be in this office not later than Thursday morning of each week.

If you don't read the Register you don't get the news.

SURETY BONDS Issued while You Wait

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W. C. GRAHAM, MGR.

Notice of Intention to Purchase Real Property

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is the intention of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California, to purchase the following described real property, located in Washington Township, Alameda County California, and described as follows, to wit:

All of that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Washington Township, Alameda County, California, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on the Westerly line of the main county road leading from Mission San Jose to Warm Springs at the corner common to the hereinafter mentioned lands of Wauhah and those certain lands heretofore conveyed by Most Reverend Joseph Sadoc Alemany to Most Reverend Patrick Wm. Riordan by deed dated April 20, 1885 and recorded in Liber 277 of Deeds, at Page 437, Alameda County Records (which said lands are known as the new Catholic cemetery), and running thence along the line dividing said lands of Wauhah from said new Catholic cemetery, North 76° 20' West 362.87 feet (the bearing of said line being called North 76° 20' West for the purpose of making this description); thence leaving said dividing line, North 13° 40' East 60.00 feet; thence South 76° 20' East 363.14 feet to a point on said Westerly line of the Mission San Jose Warm Springs Road; thence along said road line, South 14° 05' West 60.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 0.50 acres, more or less, and being a portion of that certain piece or parcel of land heretofore conveyed by Celia Madden, et al, to Wm. Wauhah by deed dated June 29, 1907 and recorded in Liber 1354 of Deeds, at Page 301, Alameda County Records.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that it is the further intention of said Board of Supervisors to purchase the aforesaid real property from Wm Wauhah, the present owner thereof, and that the price to be paid therefor by said County of Alameda to said William Wauhah is the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, (\$250.00) in lawful money of the United States of America.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that Monday, the 18th day of October, A. D. 1915, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the rooms of the said Board of Supervisors in the annex to the Hall of Records of the said County of Alameda, in the City of Oakland, Co. of Alameda State of California, having been fixed and appointed by resolution of the said Board of Supervisors duly passed and adopted on the 20th day of September, A. D. 1915, are hereby fixed as the time and place when and where the said Board of Supervisors will meet to consummate said purchase.

Dated September 20, 1915.
 By order of the Board or Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California.

GEO. E. GROSS,
 County Clerk and ex-officio clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of

Alameda, State of California.

D. J. MURPHY
 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, of the County of Alameda, State of California.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Alameda County, California.

Sealed bids will be received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County, at his office, until 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday, September 27, 1915 (the day when said bids will be opened and the contract awarded) for the construction of culverts, concrete wing walls, retaining walls, etc., and grading work on a portion of the main

County Road between Mission San Jose and Warm Springs.

Plans and specifications for said work are on file in the office of the Clerk of said Board to which bidders are hereby referred.

Each bid must be accompanied by a check for at least ten per cent. of the amount of the bid or proposal, certified to by some responsible bank, and made payable to GEO. E. GROSS, Clerk of the Board, to be forfeited to the County of Alameda as agreed and liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract shall be awarded fail to enter into the contract after the award or to give the bond required by the Board for the faithful performance of the contract. The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids or proposals.

[SEAL] GEO. E. GROSS,
 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of The County of Alameda.
 Dated Sept. 6, 1915.

NOTICE OF HEARING APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that Monday the 27th day of September, 1915, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the rooms of the Board of Supervisors, in the annex to the Hall of Records, in the City of Oakland, has been fixed as the time for hearing the application of FRANK D. GOULARTE to obtain a liquor license for the sale of liquor at Decoto in Decoto Election Precinct.

GEO. E. GROSS
 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.
 Dated Oakland, Cal., Sep. 7, 1915.

A few things to consider when buying furniture:

Who carries the best and most complete stock of furniture this side of Oakland?—Zambresky.

Where is the largest display room this side of Oakland?—1229 A street, Hayward.

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I deliver with my own truck. Write or phone Hayward 80-J. I will call for you in my auto. If I can not suit you from my stock, I will give you a card to any wholesale house in S. F. or Oakland. When buying furniture do not forget Zambresky, 1229 A St., Hayward.

Read the Register and keep cool.

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GOLDEN STATE NEWS

TERSLEY TOLD

Sacramento—The State will get \$25,813 as inheritance tax from the estate of the late Charles Hinde of San Diego county.

Monterey—Captain John W. Wilan of the Thirteenth United States Cavalry committed suicide September 13 by hanging.

San Rafael—Antonio Cardoza, age 50, was gored to death by a bull on the home ranch of the Novato Land Company, near Novato, early last Saturday morning.

Redwood City—B. Tocchini, believed to have been penniless, and who died as a pauper at the San Mateo County Poor Farm, leaves an estate valued at \$10,000.

Los Angeles—F. H. Hamilton, Pasadena mining man, under indictment on a charge of burning his home to collect insurance, is believed by the district attorney's office to be en route to Australia.

San Mateo—Mrs. Annie L. Turner, widow of the late Thomas R. Turner, the wealthy oil operator who left a large estate to his wife, and James Halvor Johnson, a retired mining man of Alaska, were married September 15 at San Jose.

Eureka—Dr. O. W. Sinclair, Eureka surgeon, was killed Wednesday afternoon, September 15, when a southbound Northwestern Pacific freight train struck his automobile at Scotia crossing. Francis Little, who was with the doctor, was injured, but not fatally.

Sebastopol—Mrs. Charles Libby, who resides on a ranch near Stone station, rushed through fire and smoke September 15, and grabbing up her twin babies, wrapped them in a blanket and staggered out through the flames to safety after having her clothing burned from her body.

Stockton—C. F. A. Primrose, a prominent farmer of this county, was last Saturday formally charged with the murder of Nishinaka, the Japanese foreman of his father-in-law. When the murder was committed

Primrose was employed by his father-in-law as manager.

Sacramento.—Mortimer Gleishacker, San Francisco banker, has been appointed by Governor Johnson the fifth member of the rural credits commission. The appointments of the other members, announced several days ago by Harris Weinstock, have been made official by the Governor.

Los Angeles.—Fred R. Emery, head of the insurance department of the Los Angeles Investment Company, was taken into custody September 17 after he was alleged to have confessed to the police that he had forged checks of the company, amounting to approximately \$15,000.

San Diego.—Right Rev. Thomas J. Conaty, Bishop of the Catholic diocese of Los Angeles and Monterey, was last Saturday morning found dead in a bed in a cottage at Coronado Beach he had rented two weeks ago. Death, it was believed, was due to ulceration of the stomach.

Los Angeles.—Laura Oakley, the motion picture actress, who holds the position of Police Chief at University City, the big movie camp near here, will go to San Francisco and be married there within two weeks, her friends learned recently. The husband-to-be is Milton Moore, a cinematographer. Moore is at present at Lake Tahoe.

Oakland.—A. B. Clark, prominent contractor, Grand Army veteran and a resident of this city since 1886, died September 15 at his home, 2721 East Eleventh street, at the age of 73. Clark was well known in lodge circles, holding a membership in Lyon Post, No. 8, G. A. R., as well as in the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He was a native of New York, and is survived by a widow.

Hanford.—More than 2800 acres of land will be set out to fruit in Kings county during the ensuing year, the bulk of the planting being cling peaches and apricots, although there has been a large number of prune and grape areas planted. Olives also are coming into favor and during this year ninety-six acres will come into bearing, while more than 140 additional acres are to be set out this fall.

Marysville.—Although sparsely settled, and with thousands of acres yet untouched by the farmer, Yuba and Sutter counties last year shipped products from here of an estimated value of \$6,500,000, according to figures compiled by G. W. Harney, Yuba county commissioner of horticulture. The figures show that mining in Yuba county still is the most important industry of this section, the value of mining products for the last year being \$3,000,000.

RUSSIANS IN TRAP FACE BIG BATTLE TO ESCAPE CAPTURE

Slav Forces Enveloped on Three Sides in Triangle Between Vilna, Lida and Vilcika

Rome.—Active operations soon are likely to be under way along the frontiers of the Balkan states, the Tribuna announces that it has learned from competent sources. It says an Austro-German movement has been planned for the latter part of October, the plan involving the expected diversion of 500,000 men from the Russian campaign to the Balkans, with the simultaneous procurement of Bulgaria's adherence in the move to open a route from Budapest to Constantinople.

London.—The Germans has occupied Vilna, and, by a wide sweeping movement to the north of that city, have succeeded in almost entirely surrounding a portion of the Russian army, which is fighting in the railway triangle between Vilna, Lida and Vilcika.

At any rate, the Russian forces in this district either must fight their way out eastward or retire in a southeasterly direction, for the only railway left entirely in their hands is that which runs from Vilna to Lida, and then to Baranovitchi.

The army of Field Marshal von Hindenburg, which took Vilna and has reached Vilcika, to the east of Vilna, is working in close co-operation with that of Archduke Leopold of Bavaria in an effort to catch a part of the Russian army.

The Russians express confidence in the outcome of the battle, but with their armies held closely along the Dvina and the German flank well protected by their cavalry, which recently occupied Widsy, across the Vilna-Petrograd railway, it seems impossible that any aid can come to them from that direction.

The battle seemingly must be fought out between the troops now in the district between Vilna, Lida and Slonim, with the assistance of

Czar's Officers Express Their Confidence in Outcome of Impending Conflict

any reinforcements that can be spared to hold the German force which has reached Vilcika.

At the southern end of the line, General Ivanoff still is keeping Field Marshal von Mackensen at arm's length from the fortress of Rovno, the key to the route of Kiev, and in counter-attacks has retaken a number of villages both in Volhynia and Galicia.

It seems apparent from the inability of the Austro-Germans to hold their positions in the southern area that they have sent reinforcements from that front to Field Marshal von Hindenburg's northern army, which, as heretofore, is expected to score the biggest success.

Both the Germans and the French claim minor victories on the western front, but neither there, in the Italian theater nor in the Dardanelles have any events of great moment been reported.

The political situation in the Balkans still is perplexing and uncertain. The Bulgarians having obtained what they wanted from Turkey in the cession of a railroad line, appear to be well satisfied for the present. But there now is talk in Berlin of the Bulgarians taking by force, if they cannot get it otherwise, the portions of Macedonia taken from them by the Serbians and Greeks during the last Balkan war.

It is asserted the Bulgarians have called to the colors all the Macedonian recruits now in Bulgaria and that generally there is a warlike feeling in existence among the Bulgarians.

But with Bulgaria surrounded by Serbia, Greece and Rumania and her coasts subject to attack by Anglo-French, Italian and Russian fleets, it is believed here Bulgaria will hesitate before throwing in her lot with the central powers and Turkey.

GIRL SUED FOR \$500,000

LEFT TO HER BY FATHER
Huge Sum in Gold Alleged to Have Been Stolen by Parent

Sacramento.—The theft of \$500,000 in gold, between the years 1905 and 1913, is charged in an action filed in the County Clerk's office September 15 by a group of Michigan mining men.

The suit is directed against Agnes Baxter, daughter of the late Guy A. Dubois.

The Michigan men—Charles Binder, Robert Binder, Christopher Switzer, William Larkin and Ernest King—formed a corporation known as the Huron Submarine Mining Company. They went into the gold dredging business near Redding.

Dubois, it is set forth in the complaint, was employed to operate a dredger. He is alleged to have stolen half a million in gold from the dredger. It is asserted that with this amount he bought stock in the Byron-Jackson Pump Company of Stockton. He is also said to have caused dredgers to be built under a patent owned by the Michigan men.

Dubois and his wife died in 1913, and Agnes Baxter inherited the estate. Suit is brought to recover the stock and \$20,000.

The papers were filed by Attorneys Frank L. Mars and R. Rathburn. Charles Binder appears as the complainant.

BRITISH LOSSES ON TURK FRONT 87,630

London.—British casualties at the Dardanelles up to August 21 were 87,630. The number killed in that time was 17,608.

These figures were included in the grand total of British casualties published earlier in the week.

An announcement says the number of officers killed was 1,130, and the number of men 16,478; wounded, 2,371 officers and 59,257 men; missing, 373 officers and 8,021 men.

Los Angeles.—Alonzo Shaw, said to have been the oldest member of the Masonic Order in California, died here last Saturday. Shaw was 93 years old. He was a charter member of Siloam Lodge, No. 11, at Tipton, Iowa, and had continued his membership in that lodge after coming to Los Angeles eight years ago.

HIGHGRADERS' CACHE

OF ORE IS RECOVERED
\$35,000 Worth of Quartz Found by Officers in Sacramento

Sacramento.—As the result of the arrest of A. H. Coggins, son of a pioneer of Nevada county and formerly employed as specimen boss at the Empire mine in Nevada county, near San Jose, on information from Grass Valley, and the subsequent alleged confession by Coggins of the part played by him in the theft of high-grade ore from Nevada county, a cache of \$35,000 worth of high-grade ore was found September 16 in the basement of a house just outside the city limits.

Sheriff J. R. Martin of Nevada county took possession of the ore. The arrest of Coggins was the result of information furnished by Donald Thompson and Volle Graham, two men arrested in this city last month with more than \$15,000 worth of high-grade ore in their possession.

The ore had been buried in the basement of the building, and on top of it was piled a heap of excelsior. Most of the quartz was tied up in six canvas sacks, the remainder, valued at \$10,000, having been hidden in boxes.

Coggins is well known in Sonoma county, where he has prominent family connections.

Archibald Boone, a brother-in-law of Coggins, was arrested by Sheriff Martin at Loomis September 16. Boone is the owner of the property in which the ore was hidden.

Grass Valley.—A. S. Coggins, confessed "high grader," had a hearing in the Justice Court at Nevada City last Saturday, and was bound over to the Superior Court. Bonds were fixed at \$10,000, which he was unable to furnish. Coggins cried in court when confronted by his wife and baby. It is believed his pecuniary means may reach \$50,000.

NEW ORLEANS AERIAL RACE TO BUENOS AIRES

New Orleans.—Arnold Kruckman and a syndicate will stage a race between New Orleans and Buenos Aires in the spring, the start being made from here probably on Mardi Gras day. The purse will be for \$150,000, of which New Orleans will put up \$20,000, the South Americans having guaranteed the rest. The best long distance flyers are expected to take part.

MEXICANS KILLED; BORDER SKIRMISH

Carranzistas Fire Upon U. S. Troopers Across Rio Grande at Two Points in Texas

Brownsville, Texas.—Between twenty and twenty-five Carranzista soldiers are believed to have been killed September 17 by American troops in two battles along the Rio Grande. There were no American casualties.

Both battles were started by the Carranzistas, who fired on American troops.

One took place before Matamoros, the Mexican town across the Rio Grande, three miles from here, and the other at Los Ebanos, fifty miles northwest of Brownsville.

As a result of the attacks by Carranzistas on American troops serious international complications are feared.

Race feeling is high, and the Mexicans in Matamoros are in a frenzy. All American residents of that town have fled to Brownsville for their lives. Other foreigners are coming here for refuge. They say an anti-American outbreak may occur at any moment.

General Naffarratta, Carranza's commander at Matamoros, denies that his troops were responsible for the fighting.

In a statement he charged that American troopers were the only ones who did any shooting, and declares they fired without cause.

Acting under instructions from the War Department at Washington, Colonel A. P. Blocksom, commander of the American forces at Fort Brown, has instituted a thorough investigation of the battle before Matamoros.

Lieutenant F. L. N. Glass, who commanded the detachment of cavalry which engaged the Mexicans, made his report. He flatly denies Naffarratta's statement that Americans were the aggressors.

LAW OF GRAVITY IS CONQUERED BY ITALIAN

Paris.—Louis Rota, an Italian en-

gineer, has solved the problem of holding an object motionless in space, according to the Marseilles' correspondent of the Petit Parisien. Rota is credited with having constructed an apparatus which, by the action of electric currents, can be elevated to a height of from 2000 to 3000 feet and kept motionless, or propelled in any direction at a speed of more than 100 miles an hour.

Rota's apparatus is spindle-shaped, 12 feet long and 2 feet in diameter and can carry a weight of 90 pounds. It is said to remain motionless in a wind of considerable velocity, but if the wind becomes very strong it rises automatically until it reaches a calmer region of the air. The invention is based upon reactions obtained from the electro-magnetic forces of the atmosphere.

SAN FRANCISCO HAS 518,246 POPULATION

San Francisco's population, figured out by the local school department, should be 518,246 instead of only 502,634, as given out recently by the State Superintendent. Direct issue is taken with the method used by the Sacramento officials in the figures that are constantly given out by that office as to the population of this city.

The average daily attendance of this city for the year ending last June was 46,272. This number multiplied by 11.2 will give a result of 518,246. For the purpose of distribution of funds the State School Superintendent counts a night pupil as a half, as he only attends half the time of a day student. The local office has no fault to find with this for the pro rata distribution of funds.

2,571,750 RUSSIANS GERMAN PRISONERS

Geneva.—The number of Russians taken prisoners since May 1 by the Austrians and Germans is reckoned by "La Suisse" at 2,571,750. It is estimated that 6,000 guns and 4,000 machine guns have been captured. The newspaper states that these figures have been compiled from official bulletins issued at Berlin and Vienna.

Nothing Doing.

"These summer hotels ought to be easy picking," said the first burglar. "Good chance to crack a safe." "Don't talk shop to me," growled the other burglar. "I'm positively up here for a rest."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

SHEET IS USED TO STRANGLE WOMAN

Murderer of Mrs. Baker Quiets Suspicion of Landlady as He Works at His Leisure

San Francisco.—Foully murdered, with a sheet knotted about her neck, the body of a woman, known thus far only as "Mrs. Baker," was found in a rented room in the flat at 1029 Franklin street at 8:30 o'clock last Sunday night.

Not long before the shocking discovery was made by Mrs. Alice M. Marshall, the landlady, and while the corpse of his victim was stiffening into its final rigidity, the murderer, a young man who had posed as the slain woman's nephew, slipped unnoticed from the scene of the brutal crime, leaving one of the most tangled mysteries with which the police have been confronted.

At the time the murder was committed, several people were in the flat, and the landlady probably surprised the murderer in the very act of cutting off the last gasps of the dying woman.

As Mrs. Marshall was passing the door of the hall bedroom at 7:30 o'clock she was startled by the sound of heavy breathing.

"Is any one sick?" inquired the landlady.

"No, thank you," responded a man's voice calmly.

An hour later, attracted to the room by a vague suspicion that something was wrong, Mrs. Marshall came upon the gruesome spectacle.

In the full flare of the electric lights the body of the murdered woman lay face downward upon the floor, garroted, lips tinged with blood and face bruised, indicating that her assailant had beaten her before he tied the sheet, knotted many times, about her throat.

The dead woman was between 35 and 40 years of age, small in stature, five feet in height, weighing 120 pounds. She had full features, brown hair and had evidently worn nose glasses, a pair being found on the floor. The body was without shoes or stockings and was attired in a dark skirt and white waist.

The supposed murderer is described as a powerfully built man, six feet tall and weighing 200 pounds. He is about 25 years old, smooth shaven, has light brown hair and blue eyes. He was well

dressed, although the garments of the woman are plain.

FORMER S. F. DOCTOR RELEASED ON BONDS

St. Louis.—Dr. Emory Lanphear, 56, who was arrested at midnight Thursday, September 16, after two women had told detectives that Dr. Lanphear was the father of their children, was released at 3 p. m. the following Friday on \$800 bond. The bond calls for the appearance of Dr. Lanphear in the court of criminal correction September 21.

Dr. Lanphear's first wife died. He was divorced from his second wife, Mrs. Mary Lanphear, in San Francisco, June 21 last. She charged him with desertion.

The police had been holding Dr. Lanphear for investigation of suspected violation of the Mann act, but the United States District Attorney's office declined to issue a warrant against him on that charge.

AMERICAN STEAMSHIP HELD UP EIGHT TIMES

New York.—The American steamer Portland reached here September 15 from Sweden and British ports after having been held up by eight war vessels in her trips. The freighter sailed from San Francisco with a cargo for Stockholm and carrying a British consular certificate providing against interference.

U. S. PROTECTORATE ESTABLISHED IN HAITI

Washington.—The United States has recognized General d'Artiguenava as President of Haiti and has signed a treaty by which Haiti becomes practically a protectorate of this government for ten years.

Beachy's Pupil Fatally Hurt

Plainview, Texas.—Joseph Pendhyn, a Chicago aviator, was dashed to the earth and probably fatally injured here September 17, when a gust of wind capsized his plane as he was concluding a flight. Pendhyn's legs were broken in several places, and he suffered internal injuries. He was a pupil of Lincoln Beachy. His wife saw the accident.

EXPOSITION SCENE OF BOLD ROBBERY

Masked Man Takes \$700 From Change Maker on Grounds and Escapes Arrest

San Francisco.—Within a stone's throw of the guards' headquarters at the exposition Saturday night, Luther Wolley, change-maker for the department of admissions, was held up at the point of a revolver by a masked man and robbed of a bronze box containing \$700 of exposition funds.

The daring bandit made good his escape, and although all the gates were closely watched by reserves of guards no trace of the man was found.

Wolley said that he left his station at the kiosk without the Scott-street entrance at 10:35 o'clock, carrying the box in both hands. As he rounded the south side of Festival Hall, which is in a shadow, the robber sprang from a clump of bushes.

"Hands up, and hand over that box quickly!" ordered the bandit from behind his mask, at the same time pressing a pistol against Wolley's body.

Wolley was unable to hold up his hands, and the robber then grabbed the box away from him. Whistling, as if to indicate that he had an accomplice watching, the robber ordered Wolley to remain hidden in the trees for half an hour under pain of death.

Peeking from his hiding place, Wolley saw the bandit replace the revolver in his pocket, tear off the mask and apparently wrap the treasure box in his overcoat. As soon as the robber disappeared around the turn in the direction of the Scott-street gates, Wolley ran to the headquarters.

The change-maker, who is 23 years of age, and lives at the Lenox Hotel, described the bandit as being five feet, seven inches tall, wearing a black overcoat and derby hat. Chief of Admissions and Concessions Goodman said that Wolley has been employed as a change-maker since the opening of the exposition, and that he has no suspicion that the robbery was a case of connivance.

ENGINE KILLS FRESNO FOLK IN AUTOMOBILE

Woman and Grandson Victims When Car Slides Onto Tracks

Fresno.—Two people were killed—an aged woman and her grandchild—and five were injured Sunday afternoon when an automobile being driven by Charles Klein, a business man of this city, coasted on to the Santa Fe tracks at Wolfe, a little station ten miles from here, and was struck by a southbound Santa Fe train.

THE DEAD.

Mrs. Maggie Klein, aged 74; Annie Klein, aged 8, her grandchild.

THE INJURED.

Charles Klein, compound fracture of both legs; Mrs. Margaret Klein, his wife, body bruised; Theodore Klein, 13, left leg fractured; Marie Klein, 10, right angle fractured; Lizzie Klein, 12, body bruised.

Klein with his wife and children and mother was out for a pleasure ride. According to information Klein saw the approaching train and shut off his engine. He coasted on to the tracks and was hit by the engine before he could turn on the power again.

ENGLAND'S WAR COST Figures By Asquith

Following is an estimate of what England has spent since the beginning of the war:

From Premier Asquith's speech:

Average daily expenditures April 1 to June 30, \$13,500,000.

Daily expenditure July and August, \$17,500,000.

Present daily expenditure, \$21,000,000.

Estimated daily cost hereafter not to exceed \$25,000,000.

Amount asked for to finance war to middle of November, \$125,000,000.

Total credits since outbreak of war, \$6,310,000,000.

Number of men enlisted in British army (nearly), 3,000,000.

Munition workers employed, 800,000.

Munition factories controlled by Government, 715.

New shell factories built by Government, 20.

Shell factories now being built, 18.

Knows Mary Pickford.

"I suppose you're your mother's darling," said the sentimental caller to young Tommy. "I'm willing to bet she thinks you're about the best boy that ever lived."

"No; I believe she thinks I'm a moving picture. She's always telling me I should be seen and not heard."—Philadelphia Ledger.

New Modes in Dressy Gowns



Reluctantly we turn our backs upon the adorably pretty afternoon gowns of organdie, net, embroidered voile and like fabrics, to consider those made of heavier materials. Not that the sheer things have outlived their usefulness (for they are worn all the year round), but the designers of new models in dressy gowns are thinking in terms of other fabrics just now. And if a new gown is needed at the far end of the season it may as well be made according to the latest ideas.

Crepe de chine, taffeta, satin, messaline, all present themselves as available for the afternoon frock. The continued vogue of taffeta is assured and an attractive frock made of it is shown here. Like a good many others it is easily within the scope of the amateur dressmaker; there is nothing difficult about its making. The main thing to remember in attempting to make an afternoon frock at home is that the design, however simple, should have some little touch of originality and cleverness. To meet this need there is a great variety of good paper patterns, and one may add to the simplest of patterns little individual touches that captivate the attention and "make the gown," as the saying is.

Combinations of taffeta and crepe

and taffeta and voile make exceedingly effective frocks of this kind. Rich ribbons, introduced in girdles or otherwise, are just in the right place on them. Where one anticipates much service out of a single frock, a guimpe, which may be freshened up easily, helps out immensely, and there are many patterns made for wear with a guimpe of lace or net or sheer organdie. In the frock shown in the picture a hand-embroidered collar of handkerchief linen and a flat bow of velvet ribbon finish the neck.

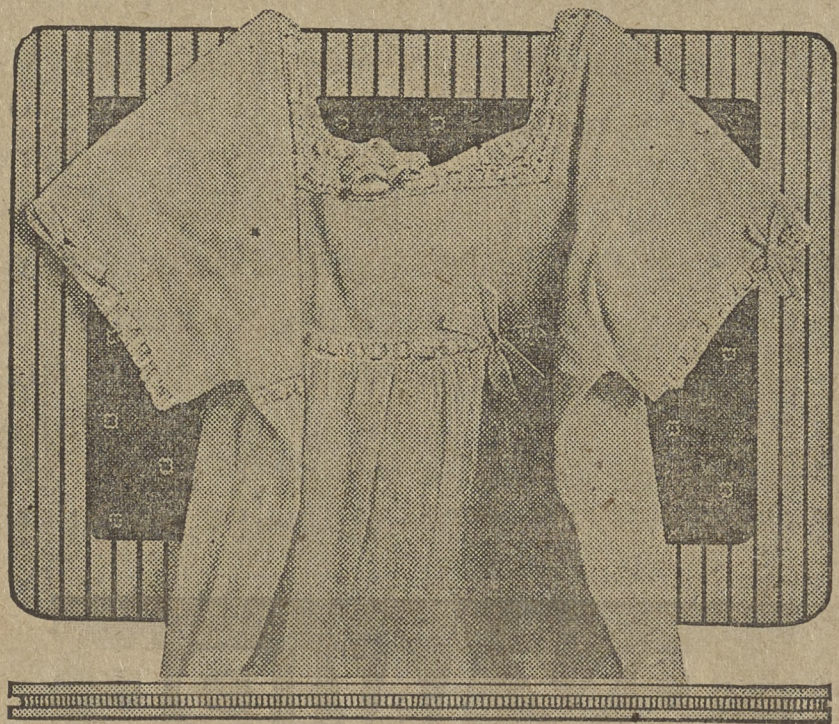
Soutache braid covers the rather wide belt and the revers at the front of the bodice. It takes the place of cuffs at the end of the long and close fitting sleeves.

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Cords and Tassels.

Cords and tassels are a trimming feature worth noting. Satin cords with silk tassels attached are used on some of the new hats. Metallic cords and tassels are also used on hats. Cords and tassels are used at the girdle, sometimes, and often about the neck. When used at the neck, the cord is usually substituted by a ribbon, and the tassel is in the form of a beaded or jeweled pendant.

Cotton Crepes for Nightdresses



Cotton crepe, in any degree of fineness, and therefore suited to many sorts of garments, is perfectly adapted to nightdresses. It may be used for them in either the sheer or heavier weaves, according to the ideas of the wearer. Most of it is made in plain white, but it comes also in the light colors and in figured patterns showing small flowers on a plain ground, so that a selection can be made to suit the style of the nightdress. For there are many styles to choose from, some of them plain to the length of staidness, and others elaborate to the verge of frivolity.

Even the plainest styles, when made up in the light tints of pink, blue, maize, or the flowered patterns, have the charm of pretty color to commend them. The empire design is liked because it insures a graceful garment, and no one could ask for greater simplicity. But among models that bid for the favor of those whose tastes are severe are the straight, plain pajama nightgowns made with high neck and long sleeves. They have narrow turned cuffs and collar finished with featherstitching in silk floss. A box plait covers the opening at the front, which extends to the waist line. It

is decorated with featherstitching at each side. Three side plaits, extending from the shoulder seams to the bust line, provide the required fullness. They are also featherstitched. There is a fad for this pretty old-fashioned needlework just now. It has come in with smoking, shirtings, and other needlecraft of bygone days of leisure.

Along with needlework simple hand-crocheted or knitted laces are much in evidence on feminine apparel, much to the advantage of its lasting qualities. These laces are so durable that they will outwear most fabrics on which they are used.

A nightdress of crepe is shown in the drawing, having the sleeves and neck finished with a hand-crocheted beading which carries the narrow, lingerie ribbon used for adjusting the gown to the figure. It is made of light pink cotton crepe in a moderately heavy weave. It is graceful and simple and pretty. This is enough in its favor to interest every woman, but not all that may be said. It costs next to nothing and the fabric does not need to be ironed after it is washed.

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GOOD AIR FOR BABY

KEEP THE LITTLE ONE OUT IN THE SUNSHINE.

Abundant Supply of That Usually Easily Acquired Essential Is Imperative If He Is to Grow Well and Strong.

(Prepared by the Children's Bureau, United States Department of Labor.)

This injunction needs to be repeated very often even in the country, where people are out of doors a great deal in the natural course of life.

It is often true that small homes in the country are both overcrowded and ill-ventilated, particularly at night, and in some cases the country baby suffers from a lack of fresh air almost as much as does the city baby. But it would seem that it should be very easy to give a country baby an abundant supply of open air and sunshine.

The chief drawback to his having a comfortable out-of-door life in summer are the flies, the dust and the heat. There are few improvements that pay greater return upon the investment to mother and baby, as well as the whole family, than a porch covered with wire screen on the shady side of the house, say, the east or south, provided the side is not so close to the road as to get the dust. If the mother has a porch of this kind, the baby may practically live there, except while he is being bathed. During the hottest hours of the day, in midsummer, it is usually cooler indoors than out, but with these few exceptions the baby may spend the greater part of the time out of doors.

A play pen on the porch will serve to keep an older baby within safe bounds, and at the same time permit him to be out of doors. Such a pen is described in a bulletin published by the children's bureau called "Infant Care." This publication will be sent free to all who write for it, addressing the Chief, Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C.

Experience has shown that sick babies stand a much better chance of life, and recover much more rapidly if kept out of doors. Common sense should guide the mother in this, as in all matters where the baby is concerned, and she will realize that if a high wind is blowing dust about, or a sudden storm comes up and the temperature drops many degrees in a few moments, the baby should be taken in, or protected from a chill by suitable clothing and wraps.

The young baby may be taken out when he is two weeks old for half an hour if the weather is warm and pleasant, gradually lengthening the

time he stays out. Remember that the baby's eyes are very sensitive and must always be carefully shielded, not only from the sun, but also from direct light. Babies are often wheeled about in their carriages staring directly up into the sky. Try it yourself for a few moments and you will realize the cruelty to the baby who may not even be able to relieve this strain on the eyes by turning his head to one side.

When the baby is sent out with a nurse she should be instructed on this point and also how long she is to keep the baby out, and be warned of the danger of allowing strangers to play with him or kiss him.

The carriage outing should not be regarded as giving the baby enough fresh air for the day. In addition to this he should live on the porch in suitable weather.

If it is necessary to bring him in, the windows and doors should be opened, screening them carefully from insect intrusion.

The baby should sleep at night in a well-ventilated bedroom, in a bed by himself, and, if possible, in a room by himself. Keep the doors and windows open. Do not be afraid of the old superstition of the "night air." The fear of the night air likely arose from the fact that it used to be thought that malarial poisons arose in the night, before it was known that this disease is only carried about by mosquitoes, which fly chiefly after nightfall.

In malarial regions, screens are indispensable. If the house is provided with a screened sleeping porch, there is no reason why the baby should not sleep out at night after he is three months old, provided, of course, he is carefully protected. Babies thus taught from the beginning of life to enjoy the open air will be far less sensitive than otherwise, and much less likely to suffer from colds and similar troubles as they grow older.

Creamed Baked Potatoes.

Twelve medium-sized potatoes, a half cupful of cream, one cupful milk, three-quarter teaspoonful of salt. Pare the potatoes and place in the bottom of a pan, cover with milk and cream, add the salt, cover the pan and place in the oven; keep covered until the potatoes are almost done; then remove the cover and allow the milk and cream to cook down until they are somewhat thick.

Mildew Spots.

Mildew spots on linen should be rubbed with scraped chalk. The mixture is rubbed in and the linen spread on the grass. It should be wet a little from time to time as it dries. The spots ought to come out in two applications.

To Avoid Scalding Steam.

When turning boiling water from a kettle into the sink, run cold water at the same time, then there is no danger of the hands being scalded from the steam.

Enter the First Gowns of Winter



Except as they influence the modes of today the story of summer styles is a thing of the past. All those whose knowledge and initiative enable them to create new ideas for the coming season have already thought out and executed models in gowns, wraps, millinery, blouses, and other things for the oncoming winter.

The full, flaring skirt is to remain with us. Russian lines in blouses and coats are making a strong bid for favor, and nothing is more chic than the Russian blouse. Braids and buttons testify to the military influence in styles, and everywhere fur is in evidence. Considering all these factors for smartness the coming winter promises to set forth a milady of fashion most becomingly gowned. And to crown all and add to her joys the complete satisfaction, wide-brimmed, picturesque hats are already in vogue.

An excellent example of the military mode in trimming is shown in the cloth street gown pictured here. Width is lent to the skirt by the introduction of plaits at each side, and it is a little longer than the very short skirts of this summer. A three-inch hem finishes the bottom, the

waist line is placed at the normal waist line of the figure, and while the skirt is amply wide it does not flare. The loose-hanging coat is short in

front, sloping abruptly down from a panel of braiding to a length about ten inches below the waist line at the back. The throat is open in a square effect at the front, and the standing, flaring collar at the back is a modification of the summer collars of thin materials that have proved so becoming.

Three different widths in silk braid appear in the decoration of the coat and skirt.

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Interesting Hosiery.

Black and white and black clocks on white and vice versa, checks, solid and lined, stripes, plaids, polka dots, brilliant and subdued colors, embroidery effects in one to three colors of floral and other designs, are all seen. A novelty has a solid white leg and white horizontal stripes on the black foot. Two-toned hose have top and foot in contrast with clocking like the upper part. White is combined with Dutch and Belgian blue, pink and purple. Beige is also combined with brilliant shades.

A novelty in silk hose has lace insets, with the designs emphasized by crystal beads. A bootee pattern has

TIME FOR THE HEAVY MEAL

Frenchman Asserts That It Is Early In the Morning, But Some Differ With Him Radically.

The undisturbed if not heroic digestion which arises at the first clear note of the wood thrush, and, after the due process of orderly kitchen events, sits eager and appetent before a slice of fried ham, a dish of fried potatoes, a stack of wheats, a bowl of oatmeal, a platter of fried eggs, etc., is worthy of note these days.

Our nerve organization requires time for preparation to meet the daily exigencies. It has to be warmed up, and, like a baseball pitcher, cannot go cold to its work. It suggests to the appetite that a bit of fruit, a soft-boiled egg and a cup of coffee will represent sufficiency and kindness to the interior economy.

Therefore when a French man of wisdom, with seeming logic, says that the heavy work of digestion ought to be thrown upon the rested digestive organs and that consequently the "heavy meal" of the day ought to be eaten early in the morning, we reply that his theory is plausible, but in error. Digestive organs may be rested in the morning, but they are not ready to work, except in the case of the now-rare and always heroic digestions before mentioned.

Moreover the French man of wisdom is socially wrong. One may welcome the cheering presence of one's fellow man at six o'clock in the morning, but no lover of the human race wants to see his brother at six o'clock in the morning. The inalienable right of humanity at six o'clock in the morning is a grouch, a silent, comforting grouch, which only asks of humanity that if it cannot keep out of sight, at least it keep its mouth shut.

Eating is as much social diversion as it is stoking. As stoking it would become abhorrent and men would flee to thickets with their meat if eating were not also social. A dinner, properly considered, is the gentle fourth or fifth act of the day. The climax has been endured, the complications mastered, and the mind comes restfully to the services of the body.

If we are to have the "heavy meal" of the day set at five or six o'clock in the morning, it will be served to a generation which sits up all night.—Chicago Tribune.

Above the Clouds.

A Hungarian officer, describing the fighting on the Tyrolean mountain peaks, a mile above sea level, states that the most difficult problem for the staff is to maintain the supply of food to the troops. On account of the high altitude and the continuous physical strain they need good supplies and plenty of them.

The officer pays a tribute to the work of the Red Cross. "Our wounded have to be carried down in sheets tied to the end of sticks, and it takes a dozen men to carry one down," he remarks.

Scout duty is particularly dangerous, except for skilled Alpinists, and many of these never return. Touching on the remarkable echoes thrown back by the mountain peaks, the officer says:

"The roar of the guns is heard twice, thrice, or perhaps a dozen times, the echo throwing the sounds back and forth, and transforming a single report into a fusillade. Many of our men have been rendered unconscious or even driven mad by the fearful noise of the guns in the rarified atmosphere of these high altitudes."

Choosing the Camp Site.

Certain rules should be used in the selection of a site to be occupied for any length of time. Clay and limestone are undesirable as the surface water stands on them after rains. A gentle slope drains the ground; the liability of storm water from higher ground must not be overlooked. A light loamy or sandy soil is the one of preference; avoid damp low places and ground in which the water is very near the surface. The foot of a hill is liable to remain wet several days after a rain. The tendency is to get too near the river or lake on which a camp is usually pitched; unless the land there is well above the water, it is undesirable. Avoid a site that has just been vacated by a camp that has occupied it for some time. Put kerosene on all stagnant water—it prevents the breeding of mosquitoes; if water is kept standing in fire buckets, it should be changed twice a week or have a thin coating of oil.—Outing.

Crazy Autoists.

The recklessness of some automobilists passes belief. The Long Island railroad has been compelled to remove the usual lightly built crossing gates and substitute barriers made of heavy timber as big as telegraph poles. This action has been taken because between July 3 and July 7 there were no less than six cases in which drivers forced their machines through the lighter gates and across the tracks in front of approaching trains. If such fools were killed, it would be small loss. The trouble is that persons so indifferent to their own safety are even more indifferent to the safety of others.—Chicago Evening Post.

They Never Die.

"There are songs," said the musician, "that have never, never died. They go ringing down the ages."

"That is true, sir," Brown replied. "For the last six months and upward I have heard my daughter try to kill two or three each evening, but they never die."—London Opinion.

Party Togs for the Youngest Set



Party clothes planned for summer wear of little folks need not take much of the time even of the most painstaking mother. For a choice in styles in dresses for her little girl she would better be a frank copyist of the frocks made by those who specialize in children's wear. For with their energies focused upon this particular field of endeavor they turn out original and alluring things that are a delight to look upon, and simple enough to be easily made. As for the small boy, his case is easily disposed of. He is to be dressed like other small boys. Little variety of design is looked for in his appareling.

The little maid of seven shown in the picture, has on a frock made of white net, edged at the bottom with a scallop finished with buttonhole stitching in silk. By way of a little childish elaboration a second row of scallops appears above the first. The bodice is an inspiration from the bolero which is so much worn by her big sisters, and the short frilled sleeves are as simple as sleeves can be, except that they are of two thick-

nesses of the net. This dainty dress is in one piece and worn over a slip of light blue thin silk. A big bow of light blue satin ribbon adorns the pale gold curls of the small lady, who is all dressed up for a little folks' party.

Another pretty frock that has charmed many a mother out of a goodly number of dollars is made of sheer handkerchief linen. It is long-waisted, with a short skirt, consisting of four narrow ruffles set on the waist by a row of hemstitching. There is a turnover collar of fine point d'esprit edged with a frill at the neck, and a small narrow vest is set in at the front made of this net. Two narrow trills (one at each side) almost conceal the vest. The collar is V-shaped and finished with a little butterfly bow of ribbon at the point. Another bow like it is set at the bottom of the vest. This dress would be just as pretty in the fine weaves of cotton, like cotton voile or batiste, or flowery figured lawns, using the point d'esprit for collar, cuffs and frills.

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In other words it means this: That the property owners own the mains and service lines.

This means that the maximum cost of the gas delivered to the fixtures for heating cooking lighting or power purposes will not exceed 60c per thousand cubic feet and Mr. Fish assured the Chamber that at the present cost of raw material required that the cost would be probably not more than thirty five cents per thousand cubic feet and basing seven thousand feet to equal a ton of coal one will readily see the economy of using gas in preference to any other fuel.

On motion duly made and carried a committee composed of the following gentlemen was appointed to work with Mr. Fish to ascertain how many consumers would join in the forming of The Niles Co-operative gas association: P. A. Ellis J. A. Silva and Mr. Trimmingham.

PARIS—A dispatch to the Temps from Madrid says the Spanish Official Gazette announces that cholera has broken out in the cities of Furstenwalde and Furstenberg, in the province of Brandenburg, Germany, and in the districts of Dantzig and Koslin.

LONDON—The German drive toward Drinsk goes forward unchecked, according to the Berlin official statement, and Field Marshal von Hindenburg's army took 5000 prisoners in one day's encounter, and forged ahead to within about thirty miles of Drinsk fortress.

SOFIA (Bulgaria)—The Turco-Bulgarian negotiations concerning a boundary adjustment have been concluded. Turkey will formally turn over to Bulgaria the territory in question within a few days. The territory to be ceded runs along the Dedegatch Railroad. The transfer will be made by the Governor of Adrianople to the prefect of Stara Zagora.

LONDON—Mahmed Pasha, a member of the Turkish Senate, was killed by an unknown man, according to dispatches received here from Sofia. The assassin attacked the Senator with a revolver. An attendant was severely wounded. The assassin is believed to have escaped. The assassination is only an evidence of the riotous conditions existing in Constantinople and in the Turkish Army, according to the belief here.

BERLIN—The Kreuz Zeitung, in an editorial, admits that if Dr. Dumba intended to go beyond merely warning Austro-Hungarian citizens against helping in the manufacture of munitions, and tried to start a general strike, he did not strictly observe the formal limits of what is permissible to diplomatic personality, but the paper says: "It is not comprehensible that a representative of one country, who sees the resources of another land being used without stint in a one-sided way to assist the enemies of his own country, should feel himself tempted to do something to counteract this?"

An Open Letter

In reply to Mr. Runkle's article in last week's paper, I wish to state my position in the matter.

In the first place, I contend there is no reason why one having property in a town, incorporated or not, should have to pay taxes for the benefit of the farmers. Every one knows that the farmers ask more for their stuff at home; that you can go to Oakland or San Francisco and buy it there for less money than you can get it at home for. I claim that the S. V. W. Co. will permit more water to flow down the Alameda Creek with the reservoir full of water than if it is permitted to flow into the bay.

I have always been led to believe that the district was created for the purpose of preventing the S. V. W. Co. from pumping any water from the bowels of the earth. But if we are to take the Washington Press' statements, then I don't know what the district WAS formed for!

He told us in his paper some time ago that an injunction would soon be served on the S. V. W. Co. to prevent them from impounding the flood water. That has never been done.

Last Saturday he told us our lives and property were in jeopardy if the dam is permitted to be built. If the last claim is the right one, what is the use spending money to find out the different levels of the water during dry seasons?

I believe that the several thousand dollars spent in getting the data could have been had from the S. V. W. Co. for the asking. If the last claim is the object of the preventing of the building of the dam—if this is the object, then I am with them. But spend money to try to prevent the S. V. W. Co. from impounding the flood waters from going to the bay—I say no; a thousand times, no; it can't be done.

I have been asked if I did not consider the water directors honest. In answer to that, I do not think there are four more honest in Washington Township, although I do not know Mr. Patterson. But I am sure they are not getting the proper advice—in other

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Alvarado Items

Miss Helen Lyle and Miss Celeste Bunker entertained the Ladies Aid on Thursday.

Mrs. F. Youngblood was a visitor in San Francisco Monday.

Mrs. B. H. Ford and daughters Dorothy and Genevieve and son Donald attended the Amador Co. Picnic at Jewel city on Monday.

Alvarado to Have An Expert Eye Specialist.

Mr. Swain the Watchmaker and Optician Of Centerville, through frequent request, has been persuaded to spend one day each week at Alvarado, in the Optical line. He has decided on Tuesday of each week, He can be found at Ralph & Scribner's Store, where he has a private office, between 10:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m.

He will make his first visit on Tuesday next, September 21. This

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words, they are on a wild goose chase, if we are to judge by the articles published by their secretary, Mr. Runkle.

As to being rewarded, I defy any man, woman or child to show where I have ever taken a single cent from anyone illegally. I have never done work for or had business relations with the S. V. W. Co. since 1898. I consider the directors of the water district gentlemen of high standing; but I do not approve of the way the money is being spent, and will continue on the same lines until I am convinced that I am wrong.

To the directors of the Alameda Co. Water District: Gentlemen, if you wish your property to depreciate in value—as I know property did in San Mateo county some twenty years ago—just have your secretary continue such articles as was in last week's paper. It took San Mateo county twenty years to overcome just such wild statements as your secretary put in print.

Do you know, Mr. Taxpayer, it is costing you more to keep the water district alive, than it does to pay ALL YOUR LOCAL TAX COMBINED, and what will it be when the legal fight is on? Taxes in Europe will not be in it!

J. B. BARNARD.

J. H. Ralph spent one day this week in San Francisco.

Mesdames Watson, Irwin, and Miss Irwin of Los Angeles are spending the week with Mrs. F. Youngblood.

Mrs. J. H. Ralph spent Wednesday in San Francisco.

Mrs. W. R. Robie is spending this week with relatives in Sacramento.

That dance given Saturday night Sept 11. by The Bailhaches was sure a success.

There is going to be something doing soon in I. O. O. F. Hall. Keep your eye on the nail.

Mesdames Chas. Fleenor, Foote, C. Wightman, and Merchant motored to Oakland Wednesday.

Miss Beryl Farley returned to her studies at San Jose Normal on Monday.

will be a great convenience for those living in the northern end of the township, and should be appreciated, as Mr. Swain is a capable man and is giving satisfaction to all those who have patronized him.

Don't fail to see "Tennessee's Partner" Saturday September 25, at Alvarado. This will be good. It is one of Bret Harte's very best works and under the direction of George Beebe is bound to be a success. Go and enjoy yourself with the Alvarado Rebekahs

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